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CHICAGO,-NOVEMBER 14, 15, 16

Chicago has been chosen as the convention city for eighth annual meeting of the City Managers' Association. The meeting will begin Monday, November 14th and last through Wednesday, November 16. This announcement is made by President A. W. D. Hall as a result of the vote by the executive committee which, in turn, followed the desires of the membership referendum.

The National Municipal League of which "our" Colonel Henry M. Waite was recently elected president, has decided to meet at the same place the same week, November 16th to 18th, overlapping one day to permit of one or two joint sessions on topics of common interest.

President Hall has appointed the following members as the Program Committee to work out the details of the meeting: Henry H. Freeman, Kalamazoo, Mich., C. A. Bingham, Watertown, N. Y., and Louis Brownlow, Petersburg, Va. The results of the referendum are as follows:

City	Total Vote	1st Choice	2d Choice	City	Total Vote	1st Choice	2d Choice
Chicago	49	25	8	Chattanooga	29	7	6
Cleveland	45	23	10	Nashville	29	3	11
Buffalo	42	17	14	Roanoke	26	13	2
Kansas City	37	21	6	Dubuque	24	6	4
Atlantic City	33	25	2	San Francisco	19	12	0
St. Louis	30	6	8	Scattered	6	5	1

THE CLOUDS ROLL BY

Niagara Falls voted on June 17th, by a substantial majority, to retain its commission-manager charter, refusing to revert to the mayor-alderman plan as proposed. This is probably the last of the long series of efforts of the old political ring to regain control.

Otsego, Michigan, has successfully passed through the first episode in the current attempt to unseat the manager and drop his chair overboard. The controversy arose over a proposed bond issue for paving. The issue was voted by a majority of four to one and while the matter of charter revision is still to be decided, there is every evidence that the citizens will retain the manager plan.

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Kalamazoo, Michigan, has appointed a "hometown" manager to succeed Harry H. Freeman who resigned July 1st. His salary is considerably less than that of his predecessor and much of the ammunition of the opposition is thus dampened. The charter revision committee is reported to have drafted several proposed amendments which are described as "weak" and as having little chance of passage.

Dayton, Ohio still has its perennial fight to look forward to, but seems safe.

CONVENTION PROGRAM

The names of the program committee members to whom falls the task of working out plans for eighth annual meeting of the C. M. A. as announced by President Hall are Harry H. Freeman, 165 Prospect St., Kalamazoo, Mich; Clarence A. Bingham, City Manager, Watertown, N. Y. and Louis Brownlow, City Manager, Petersburg, Va. It will be noted that two of these men are former presidents of the association, while Mr. Brownlow was for some years commissioner of Washington, D. C. and is ranked as one of the leading newcomers in the manager field.

Suggestions from the members and subscribers will be welcomed by the committee. So far, most of those received by the secretary have begun with "don'ts" and the chief request has been that more time be given to sociability, round table discussions and corner conferences. It seems highly desirable that some method be devised whereby those attending the meetings get acquainted with the other members in the shortest time possible, as much of the benefit of such gatherings is in the personal contact between men who spend the rest of the year facing similar problems in different locations.

THREE MORE INDIANA CITIES SAY "NO"

Since the last issue of the Bulletin, Madison, Connersville and Richmond, Indiana have each voted to continue the mayor-alderman plan instead of adopting the city-manager idea. The state chairman of one of the political parties is quoted in an interview as glorying in this display of Americanism and the refusal of the people to turn aside from government by "responsible parties".

ROYAL OAK FROM VILLAGE TO CITY

On June 27, Royal Oak, a growing suburb of Detroit, voted to incorporate as a city. It had previously been classed as a village, having had a manager since May, 1918. P. H. Beauvais, Village Manager, has been chosen as a charter commissioner and there seems little doubt but that the new charter will follow somewhat closely the charters of Muskegon and Pontiac.

LOCKE GETS FIRST VACATION

Fred H. Locke, City Manager of Grand Rapids, Mich., has been granted a 20-day vacation and is spending it by motoring with his family to Yellowstone Park. This is the first vacation Locke has had since taking office four years ago.

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Petitions for an election looking toward abolition of the manager plan have been filed with the city council. The city attorney holds that the affidavits fail to comply with the law and has referred the matter to the attorney general.

APPOINTMENTS

Alameda, Calif. Major Clifton E. Hickok, City Engineer, follows Charles E. Hewes as manager.

Long Beach, Calif. Charles E. Hewes who has served as manager of Alameda for the past four years has been appointed manager at Long Beach at a salary of $7,500. This is Mr. Hewes' third city as he started as manager at Alhambra back in 1915.

Colorado Springs, Colo. A. M. Wilson, a local business man, has been named manager; salary $6,000.

West Hartford, Conn. Benjamin I. Miller, who served as manager under the ordinance plan from July, 1919, until the recently adopted manager charter became effective, has been appointed by the new council to succeed himself.

Lake City, Fla. C. E. Hurst was chosen city manager June 15th.

Ocala, Fla. The name of the present city manager is L. B. McKenzie, not Kenzie.

St. Marys, Kansas. A commission-manager charter became effective in May and the first manager is W. F. Miller, salary $900. The population is but 1,321.

Kalamazoo, Mich. Clarence L. Miller, purchasing agent and assistant manager under Former Manager Harry H. Freeman, has been appointed city manager, salary $4,800.

Durham, N. C. Radford W. Rigsby, manager of Bristol, Va., is the successful candidate for the Durham position and takes office August 1st, salary $6,600.

Elizabeth City, N. C. James B. Forebee succeeded J. C. Commander as manager in June.

Morganton, N. C. J. H. O. Carter is announced as successor to R. C. Claywell who recently resigned as manager.

Ardmore, Okla. Kirk Dyer was named temporary manager at a salary of $325 per month pending further investigation of other candidates and has now been chosen permanent city manager; sslary $4,800.

Duncan, Okla. It is John F. Ewell, not Elwell, who holds the position of manager.

Lawton, Okla. C. E. Douglass of Yanktown, S. D. and formerly city engineer of Meadeville, Pa. has been appointed city manager, taking office in July.

Yale, Okla. W. E. Estep, formerly of Oswego, Kansas has been named manager under provisions of the commission-manager charter which was put into operation in May.

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Florence, S. C. After a rest of six years, South Carolina adds one more manager city to her list. Sumter came first in 1913; Beaufort and Rock Hill followed in 1915. Florence is the latest and largest of the lot, 10,968. The manager is Clyde G. Brown who received his training in the Chamber of Commerce field.

Bristol, Va. S. L. Keller, formerly city commissioner on the Tennessee side of the twin city has been designated manager to succeed R. W. Rigsby, August 1st.

Morgantown, W. Va. Chas. F. Sutherland, prominent business man and former mayor has been appointed city manager; salary $3,000.

OPENINGS

New London, Conn. Population, 25,688. A standard commission-manager charter has been adopted by a vote of two to one and becomes effective October 1st. The council of seven members is to be elected in September. In the meantime, the New London Chamber of Commerce, which has fathered the charter movement from the beginning, makes an urgent request of this association to be put in touch with city managers of training and experience who might be persuaded to file application with the chamber for the position of city manager. The salary will be commensurate with the ability of the man. James G. Hammond is secretary of the chamber of commerce and has for some years been affiliated with the City Managers' Association.

Stratford, Conn. Population, 12,347. By a vote of two to one, a city manager charter was adopted July 11th and goes into effect in October. Donald Stuart Sammis, 949 Academy St., Stratford, a subscriber to the C. M. A., was in charge of the campaign and will be glad to furnish information to possible candidates.

Ft. Myers, Fla. Population, 2,463. A card received July 10 from A. P. Vaughn advises that more than 90 applications are at hand, but that an appointment is not probable for some six weeks.

Miami, Fla. Population, 29,549. The first commission under the new charter is composed of five bank presidents. They took office July 16 and the mayor, Hon. C. D. Leffler, at once telegraphed the City Managers' Association, asking assistance in locating a manager, Miami holds the record of 400% growth during the past decade and now estimates its population at 40,000. The telegram modestly admits that Miami wants the best city manager in the country.

Punta Gorda, Fla. Population, 1295. Manager plan becomes effective this month and the appointment of a manager has not yet been announced.

Benton Harbor, Mich. Population, 12,227. Five prominent business men have been elected commissioners and have named Hon. J. N. Klock, mayor. The city is financially embarrassed and has been issuing "no-funds" script for the past six months. The commissioners have refused to accept their own salaries and may postpone appointment of a manager for a short time.

Columbia Heights, Minn. Population about 4,000. This suburb of Minneapolis

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is newly incorporated and has the first standard commission-manager charter to be adopted in the state. The plan becomes effective in August and applications have been requested by E. A. Carlson, 3724 Van Buren St., N. E., Minneapolis, Minn.

Bozeman, Mont. Population, 6,183. Commission-manager government was approved by the voters June 28th and the new plan becomes effective when the first commission takes office in August. Bozeman is a college town, owns its own waterworks and is anxious to secure an experienced manager. J. A. Harador, secretary of the chamber of commerce, is a subscriber to the C. M. A. and will be glad to receive applications to be handed to the incoming commission upon its election next month.

Greensboro, N. C. Population, 19,746. Newspaper clippings advise that no manager has yet been named but that the position has been offered to R. B. Preston, Norfolk County road engineer.

Ashtabula, Ohio. Population, 32,082. M. H. Turner has resigned as manager, effective as soon as his successor can be named. There are several local applicants for the position but no choice has been reported.

Rapid City, South Dak. Population, 5,777. Advice is received that the naming of a manager will probably be postponed until the passage of the new tax budget this fall.

Terrell, Tex. Population, 8,349. No manager has been appointed to fill the vacancy existing for some months past. A city ordinance requires that the manager must have been a local resident for at least three years prior to his appointment.

Bluefield, W. Va. Population, 13,191. The votes of the women citizens were largely responsible for adoption of the city manager charter which becomes effective this month. The selection of a manager has not yet been announced.

Stoughton, Mass. Population, 6,865. The town manager plan was adopted by a vote of 846 to 311, June 13th. The new charter becomes effective in February, 1922, the first board of selectmen under the provisions thereof being elected the first Saturday in January. The town manager committee was originally appointed in 1916.

Lima, Ohio. Population, 41,306 and Chatham, Ontario, Population, 10,770; will appoint managers under their new charters, as previously announced, in January, 1922 and December, 1921 respectively. Michigan City, Ind. Population, 10,457, will also be in the market next January.

SALARY INCREASES

Several salary increases have been reported of late. Last December, Muskogee, Okla., added $4,000 to the salary of R. P. Harrison, bringing it to $10,000 but upon his request the action was rescinded. On July 1st, the council again made the raise and the new figure stands. Other changes noted are: W. L. Woolhiser, Winnetka, Ill, from $4,500 to $5,000; Henry A. Sherman, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., from $3,400 to $4,000; Geo. L. Rinklitt, Hampton, Va., from $3,000 to $3,600; Geo. Johnston, Cadillac, Mich., from $2,200 to $2,600, C. C. Johnson, Three Rivers, Mich., from $2,500 to $2,800.....

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NEW MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS

Members: Claude E. Belk, city manager, Houston, Texas.
Fred L. Johnston, city manager, Santa Barbara, Calif.
O. W. Koiner, city manager, Pasadena, Calif.
L. B. McKenzie, city manager, Ocala, Fla.
Chas. F. Sutherland, city manager, Morgantown, W. Va.
J. Henri Valiquette, city manager, Shawinigan Falls, P. Q., Canada.

Subscribers: E. S. Bishop, engineer, New York
H. J. Cole, Engineer, Ossining, N. Y.
Thos. H. Mather, engineer, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Wm. Ropes, sanitary engineer, Montgomery, Ala.
Seattle Public Library, Seattle, Wash.
Lewis C. Smith, engineer, New Haven, Conn.